

REMARKS:

Applicants submit this Rule 312 Amendment to place the instant application in compliance with commonly accepted US patent practice, namely:

The specification has been revised to include section headings and to remove improper references to the claims.

The Abstract has been amended to include only one paragraph and to remove the legalese "comprise."

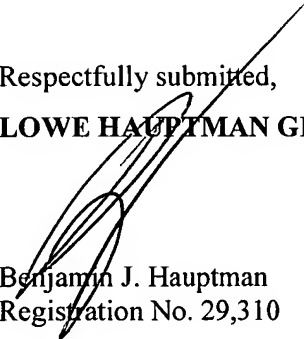
The claims have been amended to remove reference numerals and wordings such as "characterized in that," "it," "its." The claim language has also been improved without otherwise touching the merits.

Entry of this Amendment under Rule 312 is courteously solicited as it merely embodies the correction of formal matters without changing the scope of the allowed claims.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, Applicant's attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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